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SCHOOL RIOTING **NEW TAMMANY** POLITICAL TRICK

Walter H. Gilpatric. Memher of Board of Education. Makes Charges.

"STRIKERS" ARE INCITED

Agitation Against Gary System in East Side Spreads to The Bronx.

Charges that Tammany influence is the leading cause for the school riots on the upper East Side that spread yesterday to The Bronx were made yesterday walter H. Gilpatric, a member of the Board of Education and chairman of a special committee dealing with the "It would be absurd to suppose," he

said, "that the children would start such a campaign of their own notion. We know they have been incited to riot and it is a great pity that Tammany's activities in this rank undertaking have not been exposed to the public. "Politics or no politics, we will per-

mit this thing to go no further. This exploitation of children for political purposes has got to stop and order must be restored in the schools."

it was announced by President Willism G. Willcox of the Board of Educaplayed in the riots of the last three days is regarded as significant. The revolt spread to The Bronx yes-

rate revoit spread to The Bronx yes-terday and ran to a greater pitch of ex-citement. Seven schoolhouses were be-leaguered and more than 5,000 school children were at one time or another en-gaged in the fracas. One man, two women and ten children were arrested during the course of the morning and early afternoon.

Suspect Seized by Police. ohn Finn of 1851 Bathwate avenue.

42 years old, was charged with inciting the children to riot at Public School 55, but was discharged by Magistrate Grochi n the Morrisania Court for lack of evi-President Willcox has turned over the

investigation of yesterday's revolt in The Bronx to District Superintendent, Joseph S Taylor. It was stated that the police did not catch the ringleaders in he roundup of ten schoolboys in The Bronx yesterday after riots during the morning session and noon hours. Superintendent Taylor echoed Mr. Gilcars, and in that time there have not refrained from sending a reply, that different angle, and asserted that the might be absolute unity behind the principles enunciated by President Wil-

Mothers Ignorant of System. Few of the mothers who have foined

tem means, except that its sessithan formerly. In every there has been more flaunting of selitical banners and spitfire dem ions against the Mitchel name than ar-In the last three days the disturb-

fronk have been marked by school vanfices, the victims of pelting stones and flying glass, and the police have been committees have been named to represent the conference upon the problem of at the conference upon the problem of at the conference upon the problem of supplying and distributing coal and corn and allow the demonstrations took on a supplying and distributing coal and corn and allow the demonstrations. and stories jubilantly tossed milk botles to aid their gladiators on the street.

The Board of Education's inquiry and that of Judge Mayo of the Children's furt are expected to reach the bottom of the trouble. The authorities were Abandons Engagement to Speak sed for two days to let the strike

Walfin, 12 years old, made re-

nont and Vyse avenues, and to Seb nue, where the most violent rioting look place. One policemen was injured and Capt. Savage of the Fourteenth Inspection district, who commanded the reserves, narrowly escaped injury from a stone that broke the windshield of his automobile.

Cecil Denies Peace Parley With Vatican

LONDON, Oct. 18.—Replying to a question in the House of Commons to-day Lord Robert Cecil, Minister of Blockade, denied that negotiations for terms of peace had taken place with the Vatican or any of its agents or with any other religious organization.

Just previous to this Lord Robert had been asked whether the British Government intended to send any reply to Pope Benedict's peace note. His response was a request that notice be given of the question.

It had not been officially an-nounced, he added, that Great Britain had adopted as its own reply the reply sefit by the United States.

"The clear and powerful reply of President Wilson," explained Lord Robert, "was not the result of any consultation of the Allies and I do not propose to comment on it in reply to the question."

ALLIES TO MAKE WILSON LEADER

ficially Recognized as Entente Spokesman.

Record Desputch to THE SUS.
WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—In advance of definite news concerning the prospective in view of the present trend to the bureau of truancy, in cooperation inter-allied war conference in Paris the ringleaders of the riots and delve the situation to its depths. Agents of the board were respected to be working on the upper to emphasize the necessity of President in view of the present trend to the visualization of the visualization of the visualization of the present trend to the visualization of the visualization to the present trend to the visualization of the visualization to the visualizatio sported to be working on the upper to emphasize the necessity of President East Side and in The Bronx last night. Wilson becoming the recognized leader The part that mothers, older boys who in all future matters of general policy are not in schools and a few men have with respect to the war. with respect to the war.

It is pointed out that distinct and far

reaching advantages to the common cause would accrue as a logical conse-quence. Among them are the following: The more or less contradictory statements of Entente statesmen as to war aims would be crystallized into a well defined formula already made clear by President Wilson

President Wilson.
Immediate and important beneficial effects would flow to Russia, now torn between rival factions quarrelling over interpretation of war aims.

The German Government's contention before its own people that their enemies were waging a "war of conquest" would fall to the ground.

Efforts of the United States and the Entente to weaken the allegiance of Germany's allies to the Prussian military cause would be greatly facility facility.

tary cause would be greatly facili-

Would Make Wilson Leader.

From the viewpoint of international politics in present circumstances there could not be a better move made than making President Wilson the recognized in generated by politicians, but said that ignorance on the part of the parents was responsible in large measure for the extent to which the protest was carried. It was pointed out that at Public school 54, Freeman street and Intervale avenue. The Bronx, around which the protest was carried. The precedent of President Wilson's the position officially through Entente Governments.

The Republican leaders, while a 'mitter of the parents was could not be a better move made than making President Wilson the recognized in greaterly that Mr. Hilliquit would undoubtedly take some votes from Mr. Mitchel, insisted that the Socialist candidate would cut so lieavily into the Democratic vote that he would defeat Hylan and elect Mitchel. Emory R. Buckner, fusion campaign manager, asserted last night:

School 54, Freeman street and Intervale avenue. The Bronx, around which the proceedent of President Wilson's say that the growth of the Hillquit vote leadership had been established when the leadership had been established when th tem was installed at the time the school and French Governments person as opened last September. The children have known no other system, and it could not be supposed they would strike ould not be supposed they would strike for another system of which they had reply of all the Entente nations as well or Hylan, and the Republicans are com-At Public School 50 the as that of the United States. Even the ing back to Mitchel."

It is also explained that the Ufited
States, not being at war with AustriaHungary, Turkey or Bulgaria, is in a MURPHY ADMITS Pew of the mothers who have joined their children in the crusade against the choice understand what the Gary system many executions and the German war cause. The importance of this phase of the international situation is fully recognised.

' Allies Plan U-Boat Drive.

last three days the disturbthe upper East Side and in The ve been marked by school van oy school van-od inside their ng stones and As a result of the meeting three sub-

overs used for shields to ward the blows best means of coping with the submarine coppers' sticks. Good housewives from campaign, both in the northern seas and in the Mediterranean.

LANE VICTIM OF COLD.

Here at Loan Rally.

Public Schools 59 and 54 were the returned to Washington to-night sufferparticular hotoeds for the sprouting reparticular hotoeds for the sprouting repart street and Intervale avenue. Windows
in School 54 were broken Wednesday
inght and at \$:30 yesterday morning the
storm again began. A parade formed
and proceeded up to School 50, where neared Trenton not to continue the trip

At noon the truants circled through MANY ENEMY ALIENS SEIZED IN HOBOKEN

German Mechanics at Tiet jen-Lang Dry Dock Interned.

A number of German mechanics who have been employed at the Tietjen-Lang dry docks in Hoboken were arrested yesterday afternoon by the Federal authorities and immediately interned at Ellis Island as alien enemics, together with a number of men who were selved at various piers along the Manhattan waterfront. Owners of the dry docks refused to disclose the number of men taken to Judge Levy of the Children's Court. Students from Schools 20 and 55 were urged to join the strike at the noon hour and some window breaking was done. Near School 55, at St. Paul's place.

Washington and Park avenues, a student insertered.

Capt. Savage declared yesterday afternoon by the Federal authorities and immediately interned at Ellis Island as alien enemics, together with a number of men who were selved at various piers along the Manhattan waterfront. Owners of the dry docks refused to disclose the number of men taken by the Government, but it was reported there were fifty-eight of them.

While the cald on the Hobeken plant was one of the largest which has been made since the night when Government agents seized 100 enemy allens it was also one of the quietest. One of the special patrol boats in the service of the navy left the navy yard in Brooklyn about 1 o'clock with a Lieutenant and four armed sallows aboard. At Hobeken they were met by agents of the Immigration Department and secret service of the disclose the navy left the navy yard in Brooklyn about 1 o'clock with a Lieutenant and four armed sallows aboard. At Hobeken they were met by agents of the Immigration Department and secret service of the disclose the nave left the nave yard in Brooklyn about 1 o'clock with a number of men taken by the Government, but it was reputation by the Government agents are service of the nave left the nave yard in Brooklyn about 1 o'clock with a number of men waterfront. Owners of the dry docks. A number of German mechanics who

BIG SOCIALIST SCARE TIGER

Dooms Hylan.

Democrats Likely to Lose Slav Warships Outranged by

More Aldermen and Assemblymen.

the hall by the "chief" to report on the fire. Socialist trend in their various districts. right and left to Morris Hillquit. This is particularly true, they stated, in the East Side districts, in The Bronx and in the Brownsville section of Brook-

It was stated by the leaders that they will not be surprised in the least,

Although no official statement was forthcoming after the long conference; it was admitted by one of the leaders that of had been decided, as a result of the reports made, to make the hardest Democratic fight from now on against Hillquit and not Mitchel.

The Tammany leaders openly showed their concern. The leaders of the strongest Democratic districts in the city reported a most remarkable growth of Socialist sentiment and frankly stated that they did not know "where they were at." This gloomy report came from

every one of the twenty-three district leaders present taking in the entire Bor-ough of Manhattan, and reports were also received from Brooklyn and The Bronx. Even the Democratic leaders in the so-called "silk stocking" districts on the upper West Side reported Socialist

Tammany Loss Predicted.

The Republican leaders, while a 'mit-

SOCIALISTS' GAINS Chief Has "Seen It Coming," He Says.

Charles F. Murphy at Tammany Hall yesterday asserted that the Mayoralty race lay between Hylan and Hilliquit. Asked if he was surprised at the indica-

tions of a big increase in Socialist senti-ment, he said: "No. I am not surprised. In my opinion the Socialists will take more votes from Mitchel than they Hylan. I have seen it coming for some

"To what do you serribe this condi-tion" he was asked.
"I don't know what to ascribe it to, but the vote is there," he responded. The "Chief' was in a very jovial mood yesterday and even went so far as to venture a joke. When he was shown when he was shown the statement by Emory R. Buckner. Mitchel manager, that the Hylan libel suit would be tried on November 6 and the people would be the jury, the "Chief"

"Yes," said the "Boss," "and Hylan will get the verdict "Have you read the additional ques-tions asked you by Mr. Mitchel, and do you intend to answer them?" "I am resting," and the "Chief" grinned

The Democratic Campaign Committee, of which William P. Burr is chairman, increased its membership yesterday to 1,000. Among the new members are Edgar M. Cullen, George Gordon Hattle, Bird S. Coler, Herman A. Metz, Charles H. Woerz, John B. Hassiocher, Jacob I. Bergen, George J. Reinhardt, Frederick Keim, William A. Sweetzer and Isaac

Steinberg.

It was learned last night that the Cloak and Shirt Walst Manufacturers Association yesterday formed the Garment Manufacturers League to support John F. Hylan, the Tammany candidate, and to work vigorously against the Socialist candidate. Morris Hillquit. Mr. Hillquit was attorney for the cloak-makers and shirtwaist makers in the thirty weeks strike two years ago, which was finally won for the employees by the action of Mayor Mitchel in orcing the manufacturers to arbitrate.

WILSON SITS FOR PORTRAIT. lergent Painting President's Pic

ture for Dublin Gallery. WASHINGTON, Oct. 18 .- Prelimin witines of a new portrait of President Wilson for the National Gallery of Ire-and at Dublin were made to-day by John S. Sargent.

The President has no engagements this week except for the Cabinet meeting to-morrow, and can devote ample time to the sittings.

RUSSIAN FLEET RETAILER KEEPS FOOD PRICES UP; GAINS IN CITY TRAPPED AFTER LOSING BIG SHIP

Island Forts.

MITCHEL AIDS REJOICE ROAD TO CAPITAL OPEN

Foe's Dreadnoughts-10.000 Russians Captured.

resterday at Tammany Hall told Leader Sound, on the northern side of the Gulf Charles F. Murphy that the Socialist of Riga, after a naval battle in that entiment had completely got beyond vicinity in which the Russian battleship hem, and that in their opinion the Slava was sunk off Oesel Island by Ger-Democratic ticket has more to fear man dreadnoughts, which, on account of from Hillquuit than from Mayor Mitchel. their superior guns, were able to re-The panic stricken leaders, bidden to main outside of the range of Russian

Moon Island, one of the strongest were unanimous in stating that the fortified posts in the Baltic, was captured Moving to Have President Of- Tammany strongholds are losing votes by the Germans, thereby laying the coast of the mainland open to them and opening the way by sea to Kronstadt and Petrograd. About 10,000 Russian prisoners were taken on Oesel Island.

Apparently there are about twenty as Sound, with superior German fleets not only to the south, where the battle was fought, but also to the north of Moon Island, in the eastern part of Kassar Bay, where they were hurried as soon as t was seen that Moon Island was about

The Shva, of 13,500 tons, was a relic of the Japanese war. Nearly all of her crew were saved by Russian destroyers before she went down. In the German fleet there are at least two modern dreadnoughts of the Grosser Kurfuerst type, vessels of 25,000 tons.

The naval engagement is described in the Petrograd official report, which follows:

After depriving us of control of Irbe Channel, the enemy at night penetrated the Gulf of Riga, where at dawn yesterday his naval forces were discovered by our patrol de-tachment, which was pressed back to Moon Sound by enemy cruisers and

torpedo boats.

Our ships of the line, Grayhdanin and Slava, and the cruiser Bayan went out to meet the enemy in the Gulf of Riga and drove back his vanguard by their fire. They soon encountered the principal enemy fighting units and engaged them. Among latter were two dreadnoughts of the Grosser Kurfuerst type (25.000 During the battle the

adopted the tactics of firing at dishis artillery range being much to the artillery of our old ships

Slava Hit Below Waterline. erable time, and only severe damage caused by the fire of his dread-noughts forced us to retire into the waters of the Moon Sound. As a result of several hits beneath the waterline the Slava sank. Nearly all the crew were saved by our torpedo-

batteries at the entrance to Moon found dispersed by their fire enemy torpedo boats which attempted to ap-proach our ships. Afterward the fire of one of the enemy dreadnoughts was directed on these batteries and they were put out of action in a short

Another detachment of our naval force in Moon Sound kept back flerce enemy attacks from the north in the Continued on Second Page

Julia Arthur a Star at "Sun" Fund Show

THE names of several more artists were added yesterday to the list of those who will appear on the great programme at Tobacco Fund the night of October 28. Among them is the beautiful and gifted actress, Julia Arthur, who will recite "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," while a double quartet sings the anthem.

Among others are Julius Tannen, the always popular come-dian, and Gertrude Vanderbilt and George Moore. And Theodore A. Metz, composer of "A Hot Time in the Old Town," will lead the audience in singing the chorus of the song which helped make America's victory in the war of '98 easy. Read some of the details of this top notch show

The Stevens Techs and the Naval Airs play football on Castle Point Field, Hoboken, tomorrow. Also, there will be a ournament for the fund on the St. Albans, L. I., Golf and Country Club links. The balkline and three cushion tournaments at the Brooklyn Academy are proceeding nightly.

Those contribution boxes the United Cigar stores and the Schulte stores - don't forget them when you buy your sr to-day. Coupons and certificates deposited therein mean more smokes for the soldiers too. WARNING! THE SUN TO-

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HOOVER WILL ASK WIDER POWERS Tammany Leaders in Hasty Germans Sink Battleship Slava and Seize Moon 35,000 MINERS SUGAR FAMINE PUT OFF STRIKE HITS NEW YORK

vantage of Shortage to

Boost Prices.

Housewives were able to buy very lim-

because the refiners' stock of raw sugar

Cuba sugar begins to appear. It will be

enjoy the sweetening to which it is used.

that the old raw sugar supply is about enhanted in the removies and the new

Situation Called Serious.

Henry A. Moskowitz. Commissioner of Public Markete, said last night at his home, 147 East Thirty-eighth street, that

there was a sugar famine in the small stores of lower Manhattan. This does not apply to the chain stores, so far. He said the situation is serious and that

he has arranged for three conferences in his office in the Municipal Building to-day when he will interrogate refiners.

Seven investigators were sent through

the lower end of Manhattan yesterday by Mr. Moskowitz. These men took in

Spoonful Less in the Cup.

distribution among the retiners.

should Charge No More.

Mr. Gibson's appeal to the public was

retailers and wholesalers.

There is as yet no famine-merely a

Walkout of Coal Diggers Post- Unpatriotic Retailers Take Adponed Indefinitely After

KANSAS CITT, Oct. 18 .- The strike of Sugar is so scarce in New York City LONDON, Oct. 18.—The Russian fleet, 35,000 coal miners in the Southwestern that real self-denial must be practised in posing the executive committee of the or a considerable part of it, has been coal fields, which had been ordered for every household for at least six weeks. organization, in a three hour conference bottled up by the Germans in Moon to-morrow, was postponed indefinitely That is the exact situation as it was reto-day after a conference between of- yealed yesterday by the American reficials of the Southwestern Coal Op- finers' food committee of the Federal erators Association and three district Administration. Unpatriotic retailers presidents of the United Mine Workers are taking advantage of the scarcity to of America, representing the miners of boost the price, in some cases to 12 cents the Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas and a pound, although Food Administrator Arkansas divisions Hoover says the price should not be

At the end of the conference the strike more than ? cents at retail here. order was rescinded and negotiations between the miners and the operators ited quantities from the retailers bewere immediately resumed, representatives of both sides having agreed to disregard the points of difference which led to the abandonment of previous negotia- had run low and must remain low until tions and the issuance of the strike order. beet sugar begins to come in from the

the situation, therefore, exactly West, came sugar begins to arrive from prior to the breaking off of Louisiana and the annual great store of tions, it is now believed likely that an agreement will be reached. December t at least before the pinch Alexander Howat, president of the cun be relieved and New York can again Kansas district miners; John Wilkinson, president of the Okinhoma-Arkansas district, and D. A. Frampton, president of the Missouri district, declared to-night disagreeable shortage owing to the fact that they would not agree to the inser-tion of a "penalty" clause in any con-exhausted in the refineries a tract which might be drawn up between supply is not yet obtainable. one of the points which led to the strike

WHITE TO SEE MINERS. uion Head Hopes to Persuade

Men to Return to Work. Special Despatch to THE STN
WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—On the success
of the trip to the middle Western coal
fields by John P. White, president of
the United Mine Workers, probably will
depend the future policy of the Fuel
Administration as to the commandeering and operation of the mines by the Gov-

nearly all of the stores in the zone in-cluded between Grand street and the Battery and extending from river to river. In this area there are large colonies of Jews, Russieus, Italians. White to-night left for Illinois. Mr. White to-night left for Illinois, where the mon quit the mines when they found they were not to get any advance in wages the last pay day. He hoped an agreement could be reached and the men persuaded to return to work the first of next week. He said he did not believe it would be necessary for the Government to resort to extreme measures when the needs of the mation were presented to the men and they were presented to the men and they are presented to the men and they are presented to the men and they are presented to the men and they measures when the needs of the nation were presented to the men and they were assured of fair treatment.

Dr. Garfield, head of the Fuel Additional sextremely critical, but he hopes and means out of the threatened famine.

Dr. Garfield, head of the Fuel Addinistration, to-day repeated that he would not hesitate to employ the utmost power given him even to taking over the mines in order to insure a maximum production of coal.

The reported anthracite coal shortage in New York city is receiving the attention of the Puel Administration altention of the puel Administration altered to the United States to Italy, a rate which has prevented the importation of appreciable decline.

Next to the need for coal is the need for wheat. The Italian food authorities and prices all along the lime which has prevented the importation of appreciable decline.

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an investigation shows that the shortage. "During the period of International."

asked for an explanation The only suggestion of a reason for the scarcity of coal came from the heads of one of the largest coal sales comproperties in the Exist. who said that the real trouble seemed to be unequal dis-tribution on the part of the wholesalers

expressed briefly. and retailers which had enabled some dealers and their customers to lay in dealers and their customers to lay in much larger supplies than were actually needed for their present wants, with the result that the small dealers and consumers roar in vain for supplies.

coal company official quotes of the Federal Government collected by the Federal Government which show that 229,000 more tons of anthracite coal came into New York in turn, are dividing the store among retheir demands.

anthracite coal came into New York in the first seven months of this year than during the same period of 1818.

"This applies only to the coal used by the householder," he explained. "But aithough there is a shortage of bituminous caused by the strikes and consequent decreased output of the mines the householder would not be affected, because anthracite of domestic sizes is not used for manufacturing. As a matter of fact even in the bituminous coal the shortage is not as great as coal the shortage is not as great as might be expected, because the miners by trimming and increased efficiency of operation have been able to get out more coal with less labor. Anthracite is certainly coming to New York in greater quantities than ever before, and if there is a shortage, as seems likely, it must be because of poor distribution on the part of the retailer."

Blame Put on Hearding. public what it should be 'Here may be one reason," said this official. "I went past the Columbia University campus the other day and on not a pound of sugar in any wholesale grocery house here to-day and dealers pile of anthracite that would make a said it was impossible to either obtain

Boston People in Line All Day to Buy Sugar

WHOLESALE COSTS ARE LOWERED;

BOSTON, Oct. 18 .- Thousands of fearsome Boston house-wives stood patiently in the lines that formed about grocery stores to-day clamoring, begging or bat-tling for sugar. Word had spread that Boston was in the throes of a sugar famine and as sugar is a prime ingredient in the ancient and honorable prepara-tion of the Boston baked bean

their fears were well justified. Sales to-day were limited to two pounds to each buyer, but all grocers assured their timorous customers that there was plenty to go round and all fears of a sugar famine were ungrounded. Each two pound package was sold for 19 cents, considerably less than the price asked at many stores in New York.

Victories Futile and Making of Guns Abandoned-Nation Faces Starvation.

Washington, Oct. 18.—It was possi-ble to obtain from official sources to-day the first comprehensive and authentic infomation the American public has had they have current while windsare as to the desperate situation of Italy be-cause of her lack of coal and food and her inability to get them from her allies on probation until Congress meet-In respect to coal, the statement made that there would be practically made that there would be practically made that there would be practically none for private consumption this wholeralers, brokers and commission winter; that the furnaces in houses and men handling the fundamental food-hotels would remain cold and that the stuffs designated by President Wilson. civil population was facing a period of the severest hardships in consequence.

Italy Pacing Crists. Of even greater moment are the serious effects the shortage has had and rious effects the shortage has had and will continue to have on Italy's military operations. After a series of triumphs over the Austrians, Italy was prevented from following up the victories because of the lack of coal. It has been necessary practically to abandon the manufacture of guns, so low is the supply of fuel for the factories. Most of Italy's Enns are now halfs brought for the gans are now being brought from Eng-land at a sacrifice of time and money and military expediency. Other im-portant war manufactures have suffered

similarly, some in even greater degree Shipping interests have been asking as high as \$100 a ton to transport coal from the United States to Italy, a rate from the United States to Italy, a rate up to the retailer have been showing an which has prevented the importation of appreciable decline.

Population on Rations.

to exact high prices because of the than scarcity is not patriotic and deserves. Pipublic censure." Fish is being substituted for meat in

MILK DRIVERS VOTE "Let every housewife start at once to economize," said Mr. Gibson. To without that extra spoonful of sugar in your cup of coffee. Don't submit to extortion by retailers. Do without sugar rather than submit to unpatriotic prices. The Federal Food Administration will keep the wholesale price of sugar from det Milk Company who claimed to represent the wholesale price of sugar from det Milk Company who claimed to represent the submit of sugar from det Milk Company who claimed to represent the supplier of the sugar from det Milk Company who claimed to represent the supplier of the supplie

the form of saited fish at the front

The railroad companies denied emphatically that coal is used up on stiding or yards in New Jersey for lack of transportation to the city. One railroad coal company official quoted the figures collected by the Federal Government which are a second company official quoted the figures collected by the Federal Government which are a second control of the second control of the city of the city of the control of the city of t

The drivers want \$25 a week and a 1 Herbert C. Hoover, Food Administra-per cent. commission on sales, with one tor, has appealed to the public to econo-day off each month and two weeks va-mize and to refuse to pay more during cation in the year. Inspectors ask for the stringency than they were accussee week for the first year, \$29 for
tomed to pay in normal times. If the the second and \$30 for the third.
public will take care of the retailers the Michael Cashel, first vice-president of Food Administrator promises to take the International Teamsters Brother-care of the refiners and the wholesalers, hood, said that the strike was likely to

The Government has absolute control extend to the Sheffield Farms-Slawso

over the price of raw sugar and over its Decker Company, which would take out distribution among the refiners. It was announced that 200 drivers for RETAIL PRICE 8 CENTS. won their fight and gone back to work. A conference with the Alex Campbell Dairy Company is scheduled for to-day. San Francisco Notified Dealers The plans of the milk workers call for This was the view also held by an official of one of the railroad companies, who professed himself unable to comprehend why there should not be enough coal for every household in New York. One of the striking characteristics of all the views extracted from the coal wholesalers was their lack of knowledge of what becomes of the coal after it leaves their hands. demands upon other companies during the day. There was no intimation that the union men. The possibility of a general strike against the New York milk distributers was discussed at last tern night's meeting and it was said that such a strike would involve 8,000 men. Groups of strikers gathered early this morning in front of several Borden department of the first patent and \$10.46 for second patent. The point in Manhattan and The Terror of the First Patent and \$10.46 for second patent. what becomes of the coal after it leaves the Food Administration, through cotheir hands.

The Food Administration, through comorning in front of several Borden depots in Manhattan and The Bronx, Autowent excessive charges by informing the
mobiles containing a number of drivers prices. mobiles containing a number of drivers went to the Borden depot at 342 East 133d street and the men announced that they would picket the place during the remainder of the night. It was said that a few of the wholesale delivery men wh a consignment or ascertain when orders the company, but that the retail delivery

Profiteering by Small Dealer Must Cease or Congress Will Be Invoked.

ADMINISTRATOR WARNS

Says Beef and Flour Are Sold Far in Advance of Legitimate Profit.

SUGAR SHOULD BE 9 CENTS

Predicts That Essential Commodities All Will Decline Before End of Year.

Special Despatch to Tun Str. WASHINGTON, Oct. 18 -- A deliberate failure of retail dealers in many of the most important food commodities, notably flour and beef, to lower their prices in proportion to the decreasing wholesale prices was acknowledged in a formal statement by Food Administrator Hoover to-day.

This means, according to authoritative information, that Congress will be asked when it meets in December to give the Food Administration as extensive control over the retailers of the nation's foodstuffs as it now has over the wholesalers, jobbers and manufacturers through the Heense system. The they have engaged while wholesare on probation until Congress meet.

The license system, as it applies to all will become operative November 1.
Blank applications for licenses are being sent out by the thousand daily by the Food Administration. The licensing system, however, is not permitted by law to include the retailers with the recommendation of the system. with the exception of those doing more win the exception of those doing upore than a \$100,000 yearly business. It is this situation which has given the retailers free rein to boost their prices although wholesale prices are going

Prices should Be Lower.

There is no reason, Mr. Hoover said to-day, why nearly all food commodities should not show reductions between now and the end of the year. A intermediate agencies between intermediate agencies between the farmer and the retailer have come under

Puel Administrator, A. H. Wiggin. If the Covernment.

The population is on rations. Bread is make from flour highly adulterated what the shortage is as severe as represented the Fuel Administration here will supplement the consumers and manufacturers, and domestic readjustment there will be some inconvenience and annoyance to consumers and manufacturers, as an indigential coal to that section.

COAL POURS INTO CITY.

Shortage is Mystery as Dealers in the principal consumer can domestic readjustment there will be some inconvenience and annoyance to consumers and manufacturers, as an indigent to the larger purpose of providing stores for our army and may, feeding stores for our army and may, feeding non-mement:

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was in danger of a serious shortage
Mounting retail sugar prices in Eastern cities in the last three days are due
solely to an aibitrary advance by the
retail dealers in the face of a short
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been purchased Mr. However, and the prices at which these sugars have been purchased, Mr. Hoover americal. The price of beer at the is 1414 cents a pound, as compared with 16 cents in July, while the average retail price of round steak in 19 is 31 cents a pound, against 27 cents a

Early Reductions Forecast. Mr. Hoover's statement follows

"The Food Administration considers that, subject to cooperation from the farmers and the retailers, the corner has now been turned in high has now been turned in high prices and that most of the essential commodities should one after another continue to show reductions between now and the end of the year. The Food Administration has no control of either the grower or his organizations nor of the great majority of retailers. The foundations have been laid for regulations. tions have been laid for regulations of the intermediate trades, and where these regulations have some into force and the trades are cooperating fine; con-siderable results are evident in the

wholesale prices.
"The current prices at which flour is being sold at the mill door to jue bass vary somewhat with the locality and

of wheat and the manufacture of were put into force the middle of Sep-

Retail Price Still High. Patents in 766 cities on October 13 was